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Kenneth (Anthony "Tony") Handers

July 22, 1957 - Dec. 25, 2020

Kenneth Anthony "Tony" Flanders, 63, of Morganton, NC went to be with his Lord on Friday, December 25, 2020.

He was born on July 22, 1957 in Brevard County, FL to Earlene Fox Ivy and the late Hubert Julius Flanders. Tony was a member of Green Street Presbyterian Church. He became an ordained minister while living in Michigan. He was a General Manager for Darden restaurant brands (Smokey Bones).

Tony was a husband, father, son, brother, grandfather, great-grandfather and a consequential rock in the foundation of his family. He had an infectious attitude that would radiate everyone that came in contact with him. His extensive and successful career in management can be accredited to his strong work ethic and leadership abilities. He was also a father figure and mentor to many of his young employees, often giving them guidance, professional and personal advice. He loved shopping whether it be groceries, clothing, or household items and could never turn down a bargain. He enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his family and studying the bible. His unforgettable presence will continue to radiate through our lives.

He was preceded in death by his father Hubert Julius Flanders and stepfather James Lee Ivy.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Sandra Kincaid Flanders; his mother, Earlene F. Ivy; son, Kenneth A. Flanders II (Monica); daughter, Tiffany Sharmane Flanders; grandchildren, Alexis, Sharmane and Kenneth A. Flanders III, Queen Crump, and Life Edmondson; great-grandchild, Isabella Flanders; brothers, Gregory Flanders (Otela)

and Damien Flanders; sister, Zena Flanders; stepmother, Sally Flanders; stepbrother James Ivy Jr and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tony will lie-in-state from 12 to 2 p.m., Saturday, January 2, 2021 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The service will begin at 2 p.m. in the Colonial Chapel of funeral home with Dr. Marla Patchel officiating. Burial will follow at Burke Memorial Park.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

I miss you everyday you made everyday better for me i miss you granddaddy i love you

-Life Edmondson